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Briefly

Adult, child CPR

St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., is offering parents, care givers and other interested individuals the chance to learn basic life support for people ages eight and older, plus techniques specifically designed for young victims, ages one to eight.

The class will meet from 6 to 10 p.m. Monday, April 18, in the Milonski Room on the lower level at SEMC. Registration must be made by Wednesday, April 13, at 798-2801.

Adult and Child CPR (cardio pulmonary resuscitation) is a certification course taught by American Heart Association certified instructors. It teaches techniques that could mean the difference between life and death for an adult or child. Cost is \$15 per person.

16th job fair

The 16th annual Job Fair for the Disabled will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, April 22, at the Eagles Hall, 2558 Madison Ave.

About 40 employers will conduct interviews and give employment information to high school students from Madison, Granite City, Venice and Collinsville.

Adults with disabilities are invited and are to bring resumes. The hall is accessible and interpreters for the hearing-impaired will attend. There is no charge to employers or job seekers.

The Employee of the Year award will be presented to Bobby Gage for his work performance at Scott Air Force Base.

The Employer of the Year award will be presented to the Army Air Force Exchange Service for hiring the disabled.

The job fair is a cooperative effort of Special Education Region I, Illinois Department of Employment Security, Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Services and Parents for Special Education.

For more information or to reserve an employer table, Carolyn Smoot can be called at 931-2943 or Dorothy Lijewski at 676-0151.

Ortbals to head development agency Selph may realign jobs before hiring replacement

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Economic Development Director Alan Ortbal has resigned.

On Monday, Ortbal, who has been employed by the city for the past eight and a half years, gave Mayor Ron Selph his letter of resignation, effective April 15.

On April 18, Ortbal will take over as executive director of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority (SWIDA), an economic development coalition of business, community, government and education leaders.

The change will mean a substantial increase in pay for Ortbal, Selph said.

"I'm really sorry to see Alan go. He will

be missed. But it is good to see someone moving up instead of moving out or moving down," the mayor said.

Selph, who has expressed interest in the idea of creating a "chief of staff" position at City Hall, said he will look into consolidating economic development with other responsibilities before seeking a replacement for Ortbal.

"A chief of staff or administrator position would be ideal. But we would have to pay for it."

"I'd certainly want to run the idea past the City Council before acting," Selph said.

Ortbals will replace Mary Kane, who is leaving the position at SWIDA to become vice president of public finance for Stifel, Nicolaus and Co. Inc., a St. Louis-based

investment firm.

"I'll do a good job," Kane said.

"He has a lot of experience bringing industry to the area, coming up with financing and creative ways to encourage development," she said.

Ortbals has spearheaded a number of diverse development projects for Granite City.

Among them are the construction of The Legacy, a golf course and residential community; the re-opening of American Steel Foundries; and the recruitment of Wal-Mart and two automobile dealerships for the Highway 3 corridor.

He also served as a consultant to the city of Venice to help establish its tax increment

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Controversial zoning proposal advances

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

A controversial proposal to allow used car lots in a special zoning district on Madison Avenue took a step closer to becoming reality Tuesday night.

By an 8-6 vote, the City Council passed an amendment on first reading that would include used car sales as a permitted use in the Madison Avenue B-1 zoning district.

The proposed amendment is scheduled to be considered for final adoption April 19 and would require a two-thirds majority, 10 votes, for passage.

The proposal is the result of a request by Bob and Alice Milankovic.

Their petition asks for an amendment to allow them to have a used car lot — one of the largest commercial uses in the city's zoning ordinance — at 2440-42 Madison Ave., the corner of Madison Avenue and 25th Street.

The Milankovics own Bob's Auto Sales, which has done business in the city of Madison for 30 years.

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission, a volunteer advisory board that conducts public hearings on proposed zoning changes and makes recommendations on those proposals to the City Council, voted 8-1 to recommend rejection of the Milankovics' petition March 10. But, the majority of the City Council later voted to override the commission's recommendation.

More than half of the Planning and

"If we vote for this we have thrown up our hands. We are saying we'll take anything — just bring in your pieces of silver."

— Nick Petrillo

Zoning commissioners have since resigned as a result of the council vote.

The B-1 district includes all property on Madison Avenue between 24th Street and 30th Street.

The special zoning district was established to facilitate the transition of the area from mostly residential property to more commercial development.

Regulations in the B-1 district are designed to protect property values of nearby residents from the nuisances that accompany heavy commercial development.

Late hours of operation, excessive lighting and signage, heavy traffic flow and other characteristics associated with commercial districts are prohibited at businesses in the B-1 district.

Proponents of the amendment said that the city must encourage commercial development.

Opponents said the amendment could

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Road plan supported Venice OKs Highway 3 project

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Plans to widen and resurface Highway 3 from Broadway in Venice south to the Madison County line were cleared Tuesday by the Venice City Council.

Acting on a request by the Illinois Department of Transportation, the aldermen unanimously approved a resolution and three ordinances needed to clear the way for the \$1.6 million project.

The project includes widening the traffic lanes and adding shoulders and curbs.

The aldermen also unanimously voted to give the mayor authority to enter into an agreement with IDOT concerning the city's responsibilities in the project.

Under the agreement the state will provide all the funding for construction and engineering for the project and will fund the maintenance of the through-traffic lanes after completion of the project.

After completion, the city will maintain all other areas, including the sidewalks

and storm sewer catch basins. The city will also be responsible for relocation of any utilities in the right-of-way.

The ordinances approved in conjunction with the agreement prohibit parking on the highway, prohibit encroachment on the right-of-way for the highway, including signs, and prohibit discharge of sanitary sewage into the storm sewer system.

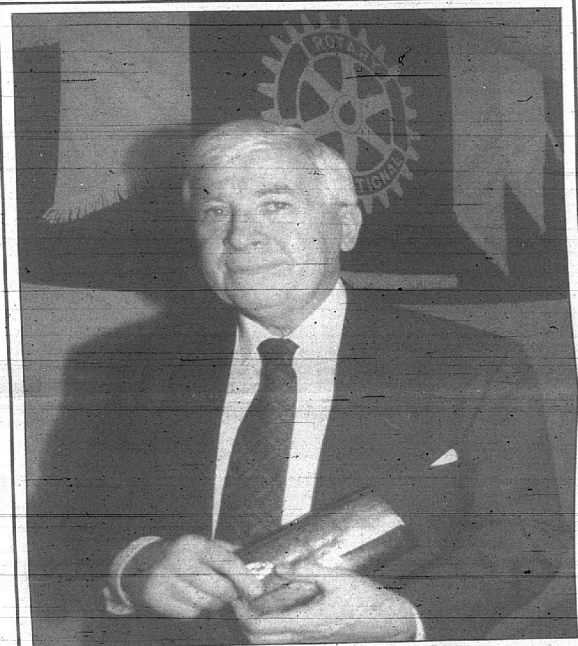
Mayor Tyrone Echols said the city will be responsible for enforcing its ordinances, including "chasing people off the right-of-way."

Echols said that owners of commercial property in the area who have been using the sewers "have been doing so only because we were doing them a favor."

He said that because the discharge from the properties went into the city system, it was treated by the Metro East Sanitary District and "all the other people were paying for it on their sewer bills."

As a result of the highway project, Echols said, "They will find themselves cut off. I don't know what they will do, but it isn't our concern. It was never our problem in the first place and it's not our problem now."

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Guest speaker — John Erickson, director of basketball operations for the Big Eight Conference, addressing the Area Mayors' Prayer Breakfast. See the People page, 5A, of today's issue for story and more photos.

Weather takes its toll here too

Wednesday's winter-like weather took its toll in the Granite City area, where a massive accident on Highway 40 involved dozens of vehicles.

The icy 10th Street overpass in Granite City was the scene of two accidents within six minutes of each other Wednesday morning, authorities said.

A total of four cars and eight people were involved in the local accidents. Although three of the individuals were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center for treatment of minor injuries, no one was seriously hurt, police said.

The first crash, which involved three cars, occurred at 7:31 a.m. Deborah A.

Passig, 41, of the 1700 block of Chestnut Street, was eastbound on the overpass in a 1987 Ford Taurus with two passengers, Jennifer Passig, 16, and Heather Passig, 14. The car had just passed over the crest of the overpass when Passig lost control on a patch of ice, slid into a side wall and turned sideways, blocking the eastbound lane.

A 1988 Dodge Aries driven by Teresa J. Wilkinson, 26, of Briarwood Drive, then came over the crest of the overpass and struck Passig's car.

A 1985 Oldsmobile Cutlass that had been behind Wilkinson's car also failed to stop. The car, driven by Blaze A. Magyard, 16, of the 2500 block of North Street

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Chiefs back tough law on concealed guns

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Police chiefs in Granite City and Madison said they support the idea of making it a felony offense to carry a concealed weapon or possess a firearm without a valid firearm owner's identification card.

"As it is now, a person caught carrying a concealed firearm is in and out with \$107 bail," said Granite City Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen. "That's just too light."

"I believe weapons-violations are not treated as seriously as they should be," Madison Police Chief Paul Bargiel said. "The change in laws over the last few years already made it a felony to carry a concealed firearm and a

lot of states don't even allow police officers to carry them."

The offenses, now misdemeanors, are addressed as part of an anti-crime package currently in the Illinois legislature.

The package drew bipartisan support last month in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The centerpiece of the package is two bills sponsored by Senate President James "Pat" Philip, R-Wood Dale. Instead of expanding gun control, the bills impose stiffer sentences for already illegal firearms practices.

One of Philip's bills would increase the penalty for carrying or possessing a concealed firearm or stun gun. The bill would raise the crime from a misdemeanor, which has a

maximum one-year jail sentence, to a Class 4 felony punishable by up to three years in prison.

A companion bill would impose a mandatory two-year minimum prison sentence for possession of a gun without a state firearm owner's identification card.

Currently, it is a misdemeanor with a maximum of a year in jail. The misdemeanor charge

would remain if the firearm was kept in the person's residence or place of business without a card.

While Ruebhausen said he supports changing the charges to felonies, he said he has a problem with setting mandatory minimum sentences.

"For example, if a guy takes along a weapon, it's technically against the law," Ruebhausen said. "If it's a first-time offender, two years in jail is rather stiff. But making it a felony is a good idea."

But Bargiel said he has no problem with the idea of offenders facing jail terms. He said that, while there are guns made for hunting and sport, concealable firearms are not among them.

"It is my belief that handguns

don't have any place in our society except in the hands of law enforcement officers."

"The only time you can use deadly force is to prevent deadly force or great bodily harm. It can't be used to protect property or anything along that line."

"Police officers who are trained sometimes have a difficult time drawing the line on when to use deadly force, so what happens when you give that authority to John Q. Public, who has no training?"

The legislation also would make it a felony, rather than a misdemeanor, to sell or give a firearm to a narcotics addict, convicted felon, mentally retarded person or someone who has been an institutionalized

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Deaths

Edith Meyer
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75 years ago

April 7, 1919
To the high cost of living is now added the high cost of being born. At today's meeting, doctors of the Tri-Cities area decided to increase the charge on this service from \$21 to \$35.

Trivia

Who was Charles Uzzell?
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Claiming inadequate counsel, Paula Sims seeks a new trial

Convicted baby-killer Paula Sims is again asking a court for a new trial, this time alleging she was mentally ill and not adequately represented by her attorney.

Higher courts have twice turned down Sims' request for a new trial in the 1989 death of her 6-week-old daughter, Heather.

Sims, 34, is serving a life sentence at Dwight Correctional Center.

In her latest petition, she argues that her conviction and prison sentence should be set aside on the grounds she was mentally ill when her defense attorneys failed to raise the defense of insanity.

In the petition filed in Madison County Circuit Court March 28, Sims also said her attorney, Donald Groshong of Alton, failed to provide her with a proper defense.

"Groshong was incompetent in refusing to obtain a proper mental exam and failing to raise defenses based on (Sims') mental illness," the petition reads.

Sims, who wants permission to represent herself, said Groshong knew she suffered from postpartum psychosis and severe postpartum depression when she murdered Heather. Sims claims Groshong ignored the advice of various defense lawyers who allegedly suggested Groshong

use the postpartum depression as her defense.

Groshong declined to comment Monday, but said he had been told Sims was planning to represent herself in the petition.

"I cannot comment on a document I haven't seen," Groshong said. "I have not been provided with a copy of it and I have better things to do than to drop everything and hunt it down."

In the petition, Sims claims she suffered from extreme mental illness when Heather was murdered. She said she was not competent to stand trial and could not communicate her illnesses to Groshong even though he allegedly knew she was suffering from postpartum psychosis.

"Groshong failed to consult with (Sims), and failed to investigate or develop her defenses," the petition says.

In October, the Illinois Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal from Sims after the 5th District Appellate Court confirmed her conviction and sentence in May.

A Peoria jury convicted Sims in January 1990 of first-degree murder, two counts of obstructing justice and concealment of a homicide in Heather's death.

She claimed on the witness stand that a masked intruder abducted the child.

In 1989, Sims pleaded guilty in Jersey County to obstructing justice and concealing a homicide in the death of her 13-day-old daughter, Loralee Sims, in 1986 in Brighton. Sims, who received a five-year sentence in that case, had claimed a masked abductor also took Loralee.

In the latest petition, Sims claims she did not receive a fair trial and was subjected to cruel and unusual punishment by the media.

The petition claims Groshong failed to mention to Sims his close friendship with Don Weber, the assistant state's attorney who prosecuted Sims. She claims the two attorneys worked together to generate publicity for themselves.

"Groshong and Weber cohered to gain media attention," the petition said.

Sims is also calling on a judge to vacate her prison sentence because Groshong failed to admit evidence of her mental and emotional disturbances during her sentencing hearing.

Sims claims her postpartum depression was aggravated by psychological abuse from her former husband, Robert Sims. In the petition, Sims said she was taking Valium and smoking marijuana at the time of the murder to help ease the stress.

— From the Alton Telegraph

The following are among incidents reported recently at area police departments.

Warrant arrests

• Roosevelt B. Parker, 27, of Washington Park was arrested at 2:08 p.m. March 28 and later charged with three counts of burglary in a felony warrant.

Parker allegedly burglarized three cars parked in the garage at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

• Aaron Wofford, 18, of the 200 block of Baucum Avenue, Venice, was arrested at QuikTrip, 608 McCambridge Ave. in Madison, at 12:15 a.m. April 3 on a warrant charging him with unlawful possession of a controlled substance.

Bond on the warrant is \$15,000.

DUIs

• Charles M. Asperger, 32, of Edwardsville was arrested at 1:52 a.m. April 2 for driving under the influence of alcohol, assault, resisting a peace officer, improper lane usage, improper turning, driving while his license is suspended, and driving without proof of liability insurance.

An officer reported seeing a blue 1986 Chevrolet pickup truck northbound on Madison Avenue nearly strike his squad car, which was southbound at the time.

The pickup truck then crossed all four lanes of Madison Avenue, ran over the curb and slid to a stop on the parking lot of O's Grill, 1823 Madison Ave., according to a police report.

Asperger took three field sobriety tests; refused to take a breath analysis test; and allegedly threatened an officer, kicked at an officer and poked an officer in the chest.

• Glenn R. Eddleman, 64, of the 1500 block of Mayville Road, was arrested at 12:28 a.m. April 3 for driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to signal when turning.

An officer reported seeing a white 1981 Cadillac turn left onto 18th Street from Cleveland Boulevard without signaling.

Eddleman took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

• Rodney W. Knott, 33, of the 2900 block of Roosevelt Avenue, was arrested at 4:39 a.m. April 3 for driving under the influence of alcohol, disobeying a red light, and improper lane usage.

An officer reported seeing a red 1989 Chevrolet Camaro strike the concrete median in the 3100 block of Nameoki Road, turn right onto Iowa Street on a red light without stopping, and then proceed in the wrong direction on

Iowa, a one-way street. Knott refused to take field sobriety tests, took a breath analysis test and was charged.

Pot possession

• Tyler P. Schwartzkopf, 23, of Bethalto was arrested at 1:30 a.m. April 1 for unlawful possession of cannabis.

Schwartzkopf allegedly possessed a film canister containing a small quantity of marijuana during a traffic stop at the intersection of 18th Street and Madison Avenue.

Ambulance calls

Station 3 March 25

• At 1:18 p.m. responded to complaint of abdominal pain in the 3200 block of Franklin Avenue.

• At 4:40 p.m. responded to a call with head injuries in the 2100 block of State Street.

• At 6:21 p.m. responded to complaint of injured arm in the 1600 block of Joy.

• At 11:15 p.m. transferred patient from St. Elizabeth Medical Center Emergency Room to Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

March 26

• At 1:45 p.m. transferred patient from St. Elizabeth Medical Center to St. John's Hospital.

• At 10:02 a.m. responded to call of a man unconscious in the

2800 block of Wayne.

March 27

• At midnight responded to complaint of hip pain at Colonial Care Center.

• At 12:42 a.m. transferred patient at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

• At 3 a.m. responded to an automobile accident at Route 3 and Rock Road.

• At 7:59 a.m. responded to an automobile accident on State Street.

• At 10:18 a.m. responded to possible stroke in the 2900 block of Forest.

• At 1:41 p.m. transferred patient in the 2300 block of Terminal Avenue to Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

• At 6:55 p.m. transferred patient from St. Elizabeth Medical Center Emergency Room to Cardinal Glennon Hospital.

At 5:36 p.m. aided a child struck by a car in the 2300 block of O'Hara.

At 10:37 responded to a cardiac arrest in the 3300 block of Johnson Road.

March 28

• At 12 p.m. responded to a cardiac arrest in the 2800 block of Madison Avenue.

• At 7:25 p.m. responded to complaint of difficulty breathing at Colonial Care Center.

• At 9:20 p.m. transferred patient from St. Elizabeth Medical Center to nursing home.

• At 10:08 p.m. responded to complaint of difficulty breathing in the 1700 block of Clark.

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Juvenile center may house group home

Plans for overhaul may be changed to include addition

Plans for overhauling the Madison County Juvenile Detention Home may be changed to include an addition that would be leased to a social services agency.

Without the space, Alton-based Community Counseling Services of Northern Madison County would be forced to find another location for a group home for juveniles that it operates under contract with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

The agency proposes to enter into a five- or 10-year lease with the county and would pay \$40,000 to \$45,000 yearly rent, Madison County Director of Administration James Monday told the County Board's Health Institutions and County Buildings committees Monday.

The agency has been renting space at the home in Edwardsville for more than 10 years, but the planned renovations would convert that space into classrooms.

Kristine Gamm-Smith, executive director of Community Counseling Services, could not be reached for comment.

Monday said the rental income has helped offset the home's operating costs.

Committee members said continued rent would eventually offset the estimated \$250,000 construction cost and the addition would give the county a larger building if the agency ever moved out.

"If we could use that space for the detention home should that contract ever be broken, it looks like a good deal," said board member Jack Frandsen, D-Alhambra.

The board members said the addition would have to be attached to the home and compatible with its needs.

County officials will open new bids Monday for the renovation project. Earlier bids all came in above a \$1.1-million spending goal.

The County Board decided to renovate and expand the home in the face of a threatened law suit for failure to meet Illinois Department of Corrections standards.

The home will be enlarged from 21 to 28 beds, heating and cooling systems will be replaced and a sprinkler system and additional toilets installed.

County officials will use about \$600,000 in income tax surcharge revenues for the project, with the remainder to come from the county's \$10.9 million reserve fund.

Bridick faces another suit

A St. Louis company is seeking a \$5,000 payment after it was allegedly shortchanged by the operators of a chicken restaurant chain.

The Kluba Repair Service Co. filed a lawsuit Monday against BVS Enterprises Inc., the operator of three Popeye's Famous Fried Chicken restaurants.

The only owner named in the lawsuit is Don Bridick of Granite City, chief of security for the Madison County Courthouse. Bridick co-owns the businesses with Mike Sasyk, former mayor of Madison, and James Young of Sunset Hills, Mo.

The three-count lawsuit, filed in Madison County Circuit Court, claims the service company made more than \$3,500 in repairs at three Metro East Popeye's restaurants between October 1992 and May.

Bridick recently closed his Granite City restaurant because of apparent financial difficulties. He and his two business associates are being sued for defaulting on a \$415,000 loan used to build the restaurant at 2868 Madison Ave.

Bridick opened the restaurant with the help of a \$100,000 Madison County economic development loan issued in November. He was sued in March 1993 by the Madison County Community Development office after defaulting on loan payments, but the lawsuit was dropped less than a week after it was filed when Bridick came up with the \$16,951 to cover overdue payments.

In another lawsuit, Magna Bank of Madison County claims Bridick and the two associates are more than \$300,000 behind in payments and owe principal and interest totaling \$349,000.



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Comedy sketches at Summerstage

If you enjoyed the award-winning "Carol Burnett Show," you are bound to enjoy Summerstage's next production — an evening of comedy sketches.

Most of the comedy comes from the old Carol Burnett Show and features Summerstage's own comedy troupe. Headed by director Marty Eckhardt, the troupe includes Amy Aud, Bill Conklin, Julie Courtois, Marty Eckhardt, Chris Madden, Rogers Mefford, John Miller, Dora Moenster, Jack Moenster, Gary Schneider, Jan Schneider, Ann Scott, Kiki Supp, Jerry Tracy and Tom Tracy.

Remember the Old Folks, As Turn Stomach Tumor and Carol's wonderful movie spoofs?

They will all be at Summerstage Playhouse, beginning Friday. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. April 8, 9, 10, 15 and 16. There will also be a guest appearance by members of the 1994 sectional speech team from

Granite City High School. Its members include Aaron Belmer, John Buxton, Jaime Carney, Nathan Cholewicki, Jake Erickson, Michael Halbrook, Regina Hankins, Suzanne Lerch, Andrea Malone, Traci Mell.

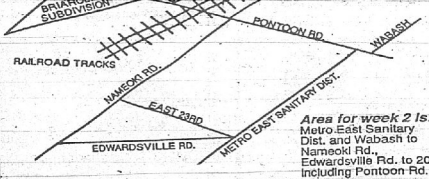
Buddy Prazma, Aaron Smithers and Derrick Webb.

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The question often arises as to whether a store owner is responsible for injuries sustained by an individual who slips and falls on the business owner's premises. One type of case deals with a slip and fall by the customer inside the store. Another type of case deals with a slip and fall by the customer outside the store. The fact that the customer fell on the store owner's property does not automatically make the owner responsible for injuries sustained by the individual. As will be seen by the following examples, whether there is liability in this situation depends upon the facts of each particular case as well as the customer's ability to show negligence on the part of the store owner.

In cases dealing with a slip and fall inside the owner's place of business, such as where a customer in a grocery store slips and falls on a vegetable wet, the injured party must either show that the substance was on the floor because of the actions of the store employees or that the store owner or his employees knew or should have known that the substance causing the fall was on the floor and that should have removed it. Thus it appears that in one situation the store owner will be found liable for placing the substance on the floor and in the other case will be found negligent for not removing the hazard which caused the fall. In one Illinois case, a restaurant patron slipped and fell on a piece of onion lying on the floor of

the restaurant and sustained substantial injuries. The restaurant owner attempted to show that several patrons had eaten sandwiches in this area and that therefore anyone could have dropped the onion. The injured party testified, however, that the bus boy had wiped crumbs from the table prior to the fall. In this case, the Court found that the bus boy did not wipe the onion from the table, but that the evidence also showed that the last patron was responsible for the injury. It should be noted here that the evidence also showed that the last patron was near the table where the customer fell. The Court found that this tended to prove that even if the bus boy did not wipe the onion on the floor, the store owner should have known of this foreign substance on the floor and removed it due to the length of time it was apparently there. It should be remembered that Illinois is a comparative negligence state, and therefore both the customer and owner can be found to be partially at fault in a slip and fall case. For instance, the owner may be negligent in the preceding example for allowing the onion to be on the floor, and the customer may be negligent for failing to watch where he was going. In a case where each is found to be 50 percent at fault, it should be noted that the customer can only recover one-half of his damages under Illinois law.

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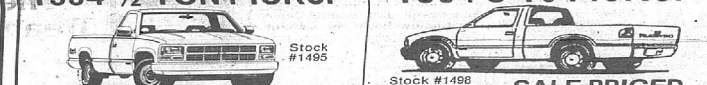
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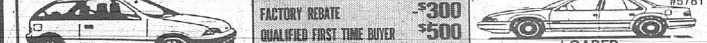


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Editorials

Doing things the easy way

According to popular legend, Abraham Lincoln once said that, if given eight hours to chop down a tree, he would spend the first six sharpening his ax.

The point, of course, is that any work done with a dull ax will not only be more difficult but—since the ax will have to be sharpened at some point before the job is finished—it will also be a wasted effort.

Lately, when it comes to the Melville Study recommendations for a more efficient city government, it seems like Granite City has spent a lot of time flailing at issues in ever-growing frustration when what it needs to do is take the tools it has been given and get prepared for the job.

So far, for example, public hearings have taken bits and pieces of the Melville recommendations and treated them each as separate issues. And the reduction of the number of aldermen was placed on the ballot—and approved—with little thought of how this drastic step will further the improvement of city government.

The arguments concerning eliminating elected department heads, giving the mayor more power, establishing a city administrator and eliminating township government need to be made. But these issues need to be seen for what they are: a means to an end.

Granite City government must become more efficient or else city services, as we know them, will cease to exist. With the elimination of half of the aldermen only a year away, there is not a lot of time left for city government to redefine itself—a step necessary for its survival.

In the military there is a saying: "When you're up to your neck in alligators, it's hard to remember your objective was to drain the swamp."

Right now, in Granite City, it looks like the alligators are calling the shots and the objective is better city government—is only a distant memory. It's time for the city to refocus on the main objective.

Considering the importance of the issues that must be resolved, a year isn't a very long time. The city can spend the time taking swipes with a dull ax—expending a lot of energy, doing a lot of damage, and accomplishing nothing positive—or it can plan, sharpen its ax and be ready to make the necessary cuts.

Sometimes, when there is a hurry to get things done, the fastest way to finish it is to go slowly at the beginning but be ready and rested for the big push at the end.

Do boys receive favored treatment in classrooms?

Carol Clarkin writes this weekly Edwardsville Journal column.

I've been reading newspaper articles on the subject a lot recently. I missed the "60 Minutes" program that dealt with it, but caught most of the "Oprah" show on the same subject.

But, I thought to myself, is this really a major problem in our educational system?

And, if it is, why am I having so much trouble remembering examples of it from my own school days? Particularly since it's been going on a long time—according to what I've heard and read.

The alleged problem? Discriminatory treatment of boys in the classroom, especially in the areas of math and science.

Teachers who appear to favor boys over girls, call on boys much more frequently, ignore the upstart hands of girls, spend more individual time answering the questions of boys or explaining subject matter.

Unless times have changed tremendously—or unless I was extremely lucky to have had the teachers I did—I'm having a tough time relating to this accusation.

Never a good math student myself, I managed somehow to learn the elementary school basics (in my day, a lot of that was rote anyway and I could memorize). But I met my own Waterloo in high school algebra.

I tried, God knows I tried, but by the end of the year, it was still Greek to me.

Mr. Hollowell, my teacher, early on recognized my lack of talent and I guess him, but I knew even then that he was a halo waiting for the tools we so often are.

But ignore me? Hardly.

It was a losing battle, but he tried, desperately, to explain—during class time, after class.

He knew I was doing my level best to grasp the subject, trying mightily and failing, but I knew even then that he was a halo waiting for the tools we so often are.

At any rate, not trusting my own memory, I decided last week to seek another opinion and turned to my mentor in such matters—Gary Swalley at Edwardsville Junior High.

I again, discovered understanding. "Pop" Hinkle who, like his predecessor, spent countless hours attempting to clarify chemical equations.

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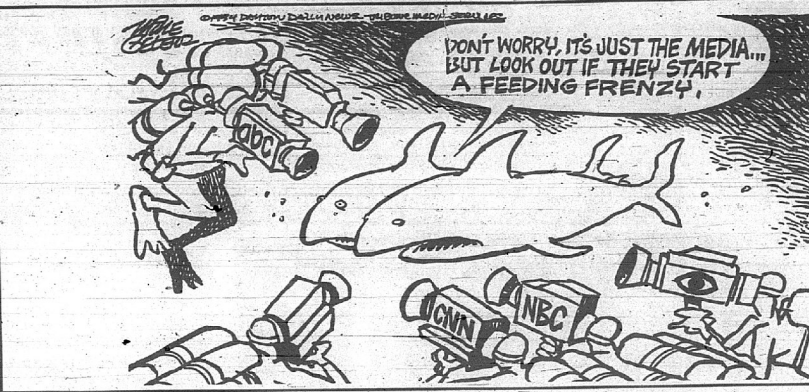
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Letters

Brutal treatment of county inmate

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is in response to the statements of John Gilbert, an Edwardsville attorney representing the Madison County Sheriff's Department, in a recent article about settlement of a lawsuit filed by Mark Urioste.

The facts are that the silent agreement was brought up by the county, not by Sheriff Churchich and the county attorney, Mr. Gilbert, again turned all the true facts around.

At their request, an agreement was made whereby the settlement amount and policy change were supposed to be kept confidential.

The Urioste kept their agreement. The Sheriff's Department and Mr. Gilbert violated the trust agreement. It was not to protect our concerns, but to protect them from publicity regarding that real case.

However, the above was not applied to Mark in the Edwardsville courts.

He was sentenced to 40 years at Menard Maximum-Security Penitentiary. That was an unfair, unjust and a very harsh sentence for a court-declared incompetent person with no past criminal record.

For the first time in our lives, we were thrown into a world we had never experienced. A world of lies, deceptions, hearsay, assumptions, politics, police brutality and very cruel and inhumane treatment to our son.

In conclusion, we had always believed that a very delicate balance of justice should be applied by the courts to assure justice for the victims and for the accused under our great Constitution and to protect, to the fullest, those rights regardless of race or color and especially the rights of a disabled, court-declared incompetent person.

However, the above did not fully occur toward Mark in the Madison County courts.

True justice did not prevail for our son, Mark, in the Madison County courts. Due to all the injustice and violations of Mark's Constitutional rights, we are praying for a retrial.

Courts are empowered to oversee and protect an incompetent ward and (his custody) is regulated and controlled by the judicial authority which first empowers it.

The court, it is said, is the superior guardian. The court erred in not protecting the court-declared incompetent person to the fullest protection of the law, to assure that his rights are not abused.

In Mark's case, they were abused, and that is why we are praying for a new trial. Our son is innocent and we will do everything in our power to prove his innocence.

MARY URIOSTE
Madison

Money for killer; victim forgotten

TO THE EDITOR:

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There wasn't any doubt who the murderer was, as he had been a childhood friend of the victim's brother.

It was the victim's wish that, if her, we, her aunt and uncle, would take her son to raise.

We went to court to get custody of her son. We eventually went back to court to adopt him and make him our son. We had to hire him a lawyer to prove that we were fit parents.

We have raised and loved him as our own and under any help from the government or anyone else.

He is a straight-A student and has made the honor roll. He is in the fourth grade, plays on two separate soccer teams and plays basketball on his team.

He has eight older brothers and sisters. He knows all the facts surrounding his mother's death, and the person that performed this horrible act.

The murderer, a mental inmate at Menard, gets free medical aid, housing, food and visitation with his family. What our son would give up to see his mother.

The mother of the murderer sued Madison County for \$4 million because he was beaten more than 30 times.

We ask ourselves: What would a person have to do to cause a person or person to beat him?

The settlement was for \$27,000 and the mother seems to feel that this was an unjust amount. A law clerk at Menard seems to think we should feel sorry for the (prisoner) murderer.

We feel, and we are not alone, that any money given by the government should go to, our son, the murderer.

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I don't know what a prisoner would do with \$27,000, except to

pay legal counsel to get him out of prison.

So, for those of you who feel sorry for Urioste, write the parole board at Menard. Maybe he will move next door to you or your mother or sister or maybe your niece.

ANN WILLIAMS
Granite City

Fine services for senior citizens

TO THE EDITOR:

As a senior citizen of Granite City Township, I do not approve of reduction of services to senior citizens of this town, nor do I approve of eliminating township government, which would do away with the senior services.

If you think placing these township services such as the senior bus with the senior agency will solve the problem, you are wrong.

Ask any senior citizen how they are treated on the bus and fast listen to what they have to say.

It appears to me that all the Melville Report wants to do is eliminate the "good things" we have in this town.

We have the business people in this town to thank for the Melville Report. He received \$3,000 for approximately six weeks of work. I say he is the smart one.

Out of this amount of money, you, the taxpayers, had to fork up \$19,500.

I have always been the one to say "Do not buy anything out of Granite City," but I now have changed my mind.

The Township Hall is open every day, Monday through Friday, for a lot of lonely agency clients who have supported these business people in Granite City. I guess they're done with us now.

I believe in local government, which put in these services for our senior citizens who are on a fixed income.

But part of their money went to pay Mr. Melville for his report.

We have Bernie and Nellie Hagnauer to thank for looking into the future of Granite City to provide these fine services.

ANDREW TIMKO
Granite City

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Praises GCHS Student Council

TO THE EDITOR:

I attended the "senior prom" held by the Student Council of Granite City High School for senior citizens.

From an 83-year-old woman's viewpoint, they are to be commended for the love, attention and courtesy shown by the young people in charge.

In my estimation, those young men have proven that chivalry is not dead, and the young ladies were a credit to the courtesies accorded them.

They brought respect and honor to their school.

There are a lot of "good kids" left. Hopefully, they will follow in their own footsteps, get us hope they will continue the good work.

RENA DILLON
Granite City

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St. Mary's plans dinner on Sunday



Kathy Dohnal

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venue scope for the Press-Record Journal. Articles can be sent to 2108 Lynch or she can be contacted at 797-2077.

On Feb. 23, Wolf Den 9 Pack 21 held its first pack meeting. It was held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7451.

An opening flag ceremony was performed by the Boy Scouts of Troop 12. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

A welcome was given to the families and their guests by Steve Skokio, cub master, and Sue Skokio, den leader.

The pinewood derby was held. It was conducted and officiated by the Boy Scouts and their leaders. Coming in first place in the eight-year-old category was Matt Widel. Second place was Matt Skokio. In the seven-year-old category, Andy Gehling came in first place, followed by Sean Grey in second place. Trophies were awarded to all.

Bobcat badges and mothers' pins were awarded to the following:

Matt Widel and his mother, Joyce Keller; Matt Skokio and his mother, Sue; Sean Grey and his mother, Ruth; and Andy Gehling and his mother, Margaret.

The Boy Scouts performed several skits, and a candle ceremony was held. Refreshments were provided by the scouts and their family and guests.

Wolf Den 9 would like to thank Curt and Emma Bosworth and the Boy Scouts of Troop 12 for making their first meeting so enjoyable. Wolf Den 9 is sponsored by the Madison VFW Post 7451.

"Glik Retirees met for lunch and cards at Jerry's Cafeteria on March 17. Joe Glik and daughter, Judy Glik, stopped by to say hello.

Get-well and Easter cards were sent to Edith Wofford, Steve Knezevich and Frances Dant.

Attending were Juanita Rosenberg, Van Stuart, Jane Duncan, Neil Talley, Frieda Hicks, Vi Spicer, Helen Knezevich, Polly Tutka, Mary Baumberger and a guest, Ann Scholl.

Mary Gunderson was guest of honor at a baby shower on Sunday, March 13, at the Madison Recreation Center. The event was hosted by Gerry Mendez, Elaine Grapon and Patty Knobloch.

The hall was decorated in pink and blue balloons and stuffed animals.

Assisting in opening the gifts were Toni Mendez and Barbara Eene Janowski.

A buffet lunch was served.

St. Mary's activities committee met on March 10. Those present were Rosalie Stern, Cathy Cullen, Alda Yurko, Gail Kowalczyk, Lucille Broadway, Janet Wenz, Sister Bernadette Meyer, Norm Marler, Dolores Bruncle and Mildred Gajowski. Helen Harsanyi and Diana Lucas were welcomed as new members.

Discussion and planning on the chicken and dumpling and roast beef dinner was held. It will be from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 10, at Engelbert Hall. The price is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages six to 12. Carry-outs will be available.

The next meeting of the committee will be Thursday, April 21.

Spring arts, crafts fair set for Sunday

A spring arts and craft fair, hosted by the Madison Recreation Inc. will be held Sunday, April 10, from noon until 4 p.m. at the Holiday Shores Clubhouse located in the northern area of Edwardsville.

All of the crafts on display will be of hand-made or original ideas.

The wide variety of items that will be for sale include: furniture, oak wood crafts (including child's rocking horses, shelves, quilt racks); stained glass art; uniquely crafted dolls of many varieties (porcelain, stuffed, straw); silk and dried floral arrangements; baskets of many different types; and numerous other items.



(Staff photos by PAM DOEFKE-HURD) Granite City Mayor Ron Selphi gives a Scripture reading during the annual Rotary Mayors' Prayer Breakfast.



Beverly Donnell sings an inspirational song.

Balen testifies for God

Superintendent sees need among students

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

When Steve Balen was 43 years old, God filled a void in his life.

And Balen, superintendent of schools in Granite City, is sure that what has been good for him would be good for children, education and the community.

"What we have been doing (to discipline children in school) is just not working. Our problems with children are getting worse, not better."

"There is a place for the social workers and counselors in schools. But the fact remains that children have no higher power to look up to. Without a belief in a higher being, there is no accountability."

"I know I'll eventually take the heat for saying this, but I believe we have to re-open the doors of our schoolhouses to God," Balen said.

The crowned heads of Europe once sent an ambassador to America to find out what makes America great. The report: America is so successful because America is so "good." If America ceases to be "good," America ceases to be great.

"Without God, I believe we will ultimately fail. We will cease to be a 'good' country and thus cease to be a great country," Balen said.

He made the comments to a

group of about 500 civic and business leaders gathered at the Rotary Mayors' Prayer Breakfast at St. Gregory Armenian Community Center on March 22.

Balen told the story of his father, who immigrated to America from Yugoslavia at the age of 14. He rode a cattle boat for three weeks before arriving at Ellis Island. But immigration officials discovered that he had pinkie. The remedy for pink-eyed immigrants at the time was to send them back to Europe.

But as Balen's father waited to board a boat back to his homeland, a Catholic priest took him aside, prayed with him and hid him away from officials.

Two weeks later, Balen's father was on his knees digging and filling 20 one-ton coal cars a day for a wage of 25 cents per day.

"My father learned to rely purely on himself," Balen said. "He soon joined the Communist party — which required the rejection of Christianity and all religion — and helped form the coal miners' union."

"I didn't grow up in church," Balen said.

"Steve Balen says he spent 43 years relying on himself just as his father before him had. "But then I realized something was missing from my life. What I found was missing was God,"

A spiritual rebirth

Nation needs return to traditional values, Erickson tells audience here

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

When John Erickson assumed the presidency of the national Fellowship of Christian Athletes in 1972, a reporter from the New York Times asked him his goal for the organization.

"My goal is that those who claim Christ in their mouth would begin to live it in everything they do," was Erickson's response.

Erickson says striving toward that goal is just as vital now as it was two decades ago.

Erickson, former executive vice president of the then world champion Milwaukee Bucks of the National Basketball Association, is currently director of basketball operations for the Big Eight Conference of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. He was the keynote speaker at the annual Rotary Mayors' Prayer Breakfast in Granite City last month.

Erickson drew upon the third chapter of the second epistle of Paul ("the coach") to Timothy ("the player") for his message:

"But know this, that in the last days, perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,"

having a form of Godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away." Paul wrote to the young apostle (New King James translation).

"That is the state of our nation today," Erickson told the crowd of almost 500 business and civic leaders in attendance at the St. Gregory Armenian Community Center.

"We're being challenged as believers. The problem is not among the followers. The problem is among the leaders in education, in government, in athletics, in business and in the church itself," he said.

Erickson, who in 1970 was endorsed by the Republican Party in Wisconsin for a U.S. Senate seat, praised Granite City School Superintendent Steve Balen for Balen's testimonial message: "I believe we have to re-open the doors of our schoolhouses to God," Balen said.

The purpose of the Rotary prayer breakfasts is to allow community leaders to gather in a spiritual atmosphere to address the needs of the community.

The event last month was underwritten in part by the Granite City Rotary Club and nine community business sponsors: the Granite City Press-Record/Journal, Central Bank, Granite City Steel, Guardian Savings Bank, Illinois Power, Magna Bank, Nestle Beverage Co., St. Elizabeth Medical Center and Tri-City

he said.

Balen says he now prays on a daily basis.

"Without God, my life would fall far short. My life would be empty," Balen said.

On March 21, Balen and his wife, Connie, were visiting a child in Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis. The 6-year-old boy, a Granite City school student, had been struck by a car the previous Tuesday afternoon while walking to school. He was being kept alive by artificial life support systems.

As Balen and his wife visited the hospital room, family members were trying to decide if these machines should be disconnected.

"I didn't know what decision to make in that situation. But I knew what to do myself. I took my wife's hand and we prayed for that child," Balen said.

In 1947, the U.S. Supreme Court banned prayer in schools, citing and expanding the scope of the separation clause of the First Amendment.

In 1983, the Supreme Court ruled that prayer at graduation exercises was unconstitutional, again based on the separation of church and state.

"There is no separation between church and state," Balen said.

"There is no separation between God and His children."



John Erickson addresses those assembled for the annual Prayer Breakfast.

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Erickson said that two basic values — personal peace and affluence — have overtaken United States' society, which was initially founded on Judeo-Christian principles.

Since the time when the founding fathers established the nation based primarily on Biblical standards, he said, leaders have increasingly tried to balance those principles with more "worldly" standards based on personal gain and affluence.

"Compromise has become our standard," Erickson said. "Our leaders have tried to rule in the middle (of those two value systems). But as desires for personal peace and affluence have grown, we have grown farther and farther from God's Word. The middle today, the compromise position in our life, is now far removed from the Word of God. It bears little resemblance to the Word of God."

He cited the apathetic attitude of Russian citizens, as observed by Alexander Solzhenitsyn, as they watched the KGB arrest their neighbors.

"The neighbors would kneel in their doorways — unwilling to come out and challenge the KGB. If the neighbors would have challenged the KGB, things would have been different. But there desire for personal peace got in the way, and prevented

them from standing up for their beliefs," Erickson said.

He said a rebirth of spiritual values is "more than just a noble thought," but rather "a desperate need" in America.

"We do not need politicians mouthing God as a good luck charm and quoting Scripture when it suits them. We need those who claim Christ in their mouth to begin to live it in everything they do," Erickson said.

When Erickson went along with his political and spiritual friend Chuck Colson to visit inmates on Death Row in an Indiana prison, Erickson was frightened for his own personal safety, he said.

But Colson assured Erickson with his faith: "Don't worry. The Lord is with us," he said.

The 11th chapter of the epistle to the Hebrews lists what Erickson — elected to membership in four basketball halls of fame — called "God's Hall of Fame."

The letter proclaims the accomplishments of Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Jacob, Joseph and Moses — all motivated to act by a faith in "things not seen" — a promise from God of a better tomorrow — rather than a hope for personal gain or a fear of personal loss.

Erickson said that the church

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A testimonial is given by Granite City School Superintendent Steve Balen.

Obituaries

helped Vernon Nickell, state superintendent of public instruction, reorganize Illinois school systems. Mr. Schmitt was superintendent of the Great Lakes Division Rain and Hall Insurance Group from 1948 to 1972.

He was a member of Morris Masonic Lodge 787, Waterloo, and the Retired School Teachers Association.

Survivors include one son, Dr. Carlyle A. Schmitt of Granite City; two sisters, Ida Cheney of Waterloo and Alma Aselmeier of Carmel, Ind.; two grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida M. (Mueller) Schmitt; his parents, John L. and Wilhelmina (Rehning) Schmitt; two brothers, John and Fred Schmitt; and one sister, Charlotte Althoff.

Services were held at 11 a.m. today at Quernheim Funeral Home, Waterloo. Burial was at St. John Cemetery, Valmeyer.

Venor Yeager

Venor "Jug" Yeager, 67, of Granite City died at 1:17 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

He was born July 20, 1926, in St. Louis and had been a resident of Granite City for 46 years.

Mr. Yeager was an electrician at Granite City Steel for 27 years prior to his retirement in 1974. He was a member of the Pontoon Beach Lions Club and the Disabled American Veterans.

A U.S. Army veteran, he was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda (Redman) Yeager, whom he married Aug. 13, 1948; two daughters, Linda Wallace and Janet Boland, both of Granite City; four brothers, Carl, George and Norman Yeager, all of Granite City, and Jerry Yeager of Staunton; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Billy Lee Yeager and Myrl E. (Gosnell) Yeager.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Pontoon Beach Church of Christ, 4039 Pontoon Road, Pontoon Beach, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights. Arrangements are by Warner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach.

Oscar Schmitt

Oscar A. Schmitt, 93, of Waterloo died Tuesday, April 5, 1994, at Monroe County Nursing Home, Waterloo. He was born April 13, 1900, in Harrisonville.

He was superintendent of Monroe County schools prior to his retirement.

A teacher at Varum School in 1919, he became principal at Valley Grade School in 1922. He was superintendent of Monroe County schools from 1931 to 1947 and

of Foreign Wars Post 805 Auxiliary, O'Fallon, and the Metro East Bowling Association, where she was junior vice president.

Survivors include her husband, Charles M. Meyer; two sons, Phillip Slesby and Charles Meyer II, both of Belleville; two daughters, Barbara Barajas of Montezuma, Ind., and Cheryl Buford of Granite City; one sister, Mildred Terry of Hattisburg, Miss.; four grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Gary and Darryl Meyer; one daughter, Diane Meyer; and her parents, Ruben C. and Edna (Arthur) Noe.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. today at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights, with the Rev. Gray Looman officiating. Arrangements were by John Barnes Funeral Home, Belleville.

Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

Pauline Ruediger

Pauline Dorothy Mae (Kelley) Ruediger, 74, of Madison died at 8:35 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, 1994, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville, after a seven-year illness.

She was born Feb. 9, 1920, in Elgin, Ill., and had been a lifelong resident of the Madison-Granite City area.

A homemaker, she was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include three sons; two daughters; two brothers, Fred Kelley of Granite City and Richard Kelley of Dongola, Ill.; three sisters, Opal Wilson and Marge Kamadulski, both of Granite City, and the House of Madison; two granddaughters, Rose Mary McCord of Bethalto and Kathleen Kelley of St. Louis; and eight grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Ruediger, who died in 1969; one daughter, Donna Holland; her parents, James William Kelley and Ora Olive (Brown) Kelley; and two brothers, James and Robert Kelley.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, 615 Madison Ave., Madison, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Harold Mayfield officiating. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

Edith Meyer

Edith Evelyn (Noe) Meyer, 71, of Fairview Heights died Monday, April 4, 1994, at Anderson Hospital, Belleville. She was born July 20, 1922, in Beardstown, Ill.

She was a homemaker. Services were held Tuesday at Famous-Bar Co. prior to her retirement and was a member of Veter-

Accidents

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and containing Francis R. Wallace, 18, and Connie L. Meyers, 14, both of the 2900 block of Roosevelt Avenue, slid into Wilkinson's car and the wall.

Deborah Passig, Jennifer Passig and Wilkinson were all taken by ambulance to the emergency room at SEMC, treated for minor injuries and released.

Six minutes later, an east-bound 1978 Ford Courier driven by Bradley L. Hull, 17, of the 2500 block of 20th Street, went over the crest of the overpass, managed to avoid the other cars, but struck a patch of ice and struck a concrete side barrier about 100 feet west of Benton Street.

Road

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In other business, Echols vetoed a plan approved by the state legislature to paint lane striping on alternate Highway 3 in North Venice.

John A. chairman of the Street Committee, said the lowest bid for the project was \$9,500 a figure he called reasonable, which could be paid using Motor Fuel Tax money.

But Alderman Michael Terrell said that in order to paint lane striping, there would have to be 12-foot lanes and that the only way to do that was to remove on-street parking.

Zoning

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destroy the city's comprehensive development plan and thus any control the city has over zoning issues throughout the city.

Ward 3 Alderman Kim Affolter, who voted in favor of the proposal last month but voted against the amendment this week, said that she would rather vote in favor of the Milanovics' specific proposal than for an amendment that would, in effect, allow any used car lot in the B-1 district.

Affolter said that bringing commercial development into the city will increase revenues and help avoid the necessity of either increasing property taxes or laying off employees and reducing services.

"But I have a problem with the broad scope of this amendment," Affolter said.

Alderman Walter Milton also praised the Milanovics' proposal and said that it would be a "justified" way to prevent a "respectable" business from locating in the city. He said that it may be time that the emphasis on residential to commercial.

Milton said he was impressed by an architectural rendering of the Milanovics' proposed building.

But 2nd Ward Alderman Craig Tarpoff said he was not sure Glen Hollis and City Attorney

Leo Konzen said that there is no law on the books that would require the Milanovics' building to resemble the drawing in any way.

"The only structures they would be prohibited from putting there are a pole barn or a trailer," Tarpoff said.

Ward 3 Alderman Nick Petrillo said that the issue is much larger than the Milanovics' specific proposal.

Petrillo said his years of teaching and coaching have taught him that success requires development of the city's plan, adherence to it. The city's plan, Petrillo said, is becoming hazardous and scattered.

"Nobody questions (the Milanovics') operation. But you have to look down the road. If we vote for this, we have thrown up our hands. We are saying we'll take anything — just bring in your pieces of silver," he said.

Petrillo asked what would happen if a hardware store in the B-1 district wanted to build a warehouse.

"Would we be able to stop that?" he asked.

Ward 4 Alderman Sandy Crites said the issue is a citywide issue.

"We are talking about the B-1 district, but I am seriously that (commercial) spot zoning is going to move out on Johnson Road, Wabash (Avenue) and Pontoon Road," Crites said.

Ward 1 Alderman Casmer Skubish said that designating the special B-1 district on Madison Avenue from 23rd Street to 30th Street was in itself a form of spot zoning. He said there are currently vacant buildings on Madison Avenue.

"No investors are flocking to fill them," Skubish said.

Tarpoff said the city made a commitment to residents of the area when the B-1 district was established.

He read from the minutes of a public hearing held in June 1989, when a resident of Iowa Street, adjacent to the B-1 area, asked specifically if used car sales would be permitted in the B-1 district. The resident was told that used car sales would not be a permitted use, according to the minutes.

"The comprehensive plan itself was a commitment to the citizens, whether in the B-1 area or any other area of the city. For us to take this step at this time is a very bad message to send to the citizens of Granite City," Tarpoff said.

To open this up to C-5 (highway commercial uses) is ludicrous," he said.

Aldermen Skubish and Aldermen Dan Partney, Foster Frederick, Judy Whitaker, Junitta Crawley, Tom Candler and Bob Page voted in favor of the amendment.

Tarpoff, Affolter, Petrillo, Crites and Aldermen Jim Miller and Bob Shipley voted in the minority.

Erickson

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today contains "remnants" of God's Kingdom that people need to be more like Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham and Moses; they need to be more like Eric Bonhammer, who during the height of Hitler's power in the Third Reich proclaimed, "God is my Fuehrer."

"But we like our personal peace," Erickson said.

"Don't rock the boat" is the prevailing attitude and I'd have to give up my job and my affluence is the excuse," he said.

Erickson said his frustration of the U.S. Constitution meant to prohibit a state-imposed church

but that recent interpretations have taken that prohibition too far.

"The Constitution says nothing about having God from government," Erickson said.

He had three key pieces of advice to remedy what he perceives as society's ills.

First, Erickson said, community, state and national leaders should turn to God's Word for knowledge, wisdom and courage.

"Proverbs are much more valuable than the expensive business seminars," he said.

Second, he said, leaders must rely on prayer and Biblical principles as the source of truth and strength each day.

"This is the only truth I know," Erickson said, holding a Bible.

Finally, he said, leaders must remember that they will be held accountable to God for every decision they make.

"There are some with the misconception that we can 'fool' God and hide our mistakes," Erickson said.

"I'm not afraid of God, but I am a little embarrassed because I will be held accountable," Erickson received a standing ovation at the conclusion of his comments.

He donated his speaking honorarium to the local chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Ortbals

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finance district.

Ortbals said he views his new responsibilities at SWIDA as similar to the work he has done for Granite City and Venice, but on a larger scale.

"My goal is to make SWIDA the key development agency for Madison and St. Clair counties and throughout southwestern Illinois."

The first thing I will do is to contact all of the area mayors and ask if SWIDA can assist them in any development projects," Ortbal said.

The state legislature created SWIDA in September 1987 and gave it the authority to issue bonds to issue bonds; offer loans; buy, sell and lease property, utilizing

quick-act and eminent domain powers if necessary; and otherwise support economic development.

In addition to those financing powers, Ortbal said he hopes to include consulting and technical expertise among the services the authority offers.

Ortbals said he plans to help municipalities utilize tax increment financing and enterprise zones as economic incentives to attract new development to the area.

Kane said the authority created or retained at least 1,200 jobs during its first five years in operation. It has received more than \$70 million in large bond issues.

Among the businesses and agencies that have received assistance from SWIDA are: American Electronic Laborato-

ries Inc. at St. Louis Regional Airport in Bethalto; Wood River Township Hospital; Shell Oil Co. in Roxana; and Robinson-Stout the Tri-City Regional Port District and the Wolf Medical Building in Granite City.

More recently, the authority has served as consultant under contract to the city of Edwardsville during construction of the Olympic Festival track and soccer stadium at SIUE.

Ortbals said one priority project will be expansion of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial to the East St. Louis riverfront. The authority owns about 35 acres currently being utilized for parking for the Casino Queen riverboat, he said.

Ortbals said he plans to maintain his residence in Granite City.

weekly drug testing in order to be released on personal recognition bonds. The authority will enforce any other bill approved by the committee.

Other legislation would allow state's attorneys to prosecute and enforce the state "grass tax" on illegal drugs.

The bill also requires sellers of illegal drugs to buy revenue stamps. If drugs are seized, without the stamps, additional charges can be brought.

Enforcement through the Department of Revenue and the Attorney General's Office has been sporadic, authorities said.

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Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

BAKER, Roscoe Earl, 83, of Elkhardt, Ind., formerly of Madison County, Ill., died at 10:20 a.m. Sunday, April 3, 1994, at Meridian Nursing Center-Eastlake, Elkhardt. Services were held Tuesday at Living Waters Assembly of God, Bristol, Ind., by the Rev. Robert Lambert. Burial was at Presbyterian Cemetery, Caledonia, Mo. Arrangements were by Stemm-Lawson-Peterson Funeral Home, Bristol.

COX, Frances Marie (Freeman), 68, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 10:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, 1994, at University Manor Nursing Home, Edwardsville. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Bob Widin and Jim Cox. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, Madison.

DAVIS, Violet E. (Townsend), 90, of Madison, formerly of Phoenix, Ariz., died at 10:44 p.m. Saturday, April 2, 1994, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Graveside services were held Tuesday at Greenwood Memorial Park, Phoenix. Local arrangements were by Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, Madison.

DINEFF, Boris, 62, of Bunker Hill, formerly of Granite City, died suddenly at 2:29 p.m. Sunday, April 3, 1994, at home. Services were held Wednesday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, by the Rev. Peter Stamboldy. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Bunker Hill Area Ambulance Service, P.O. Box 308, Bunker Hill, IL 62014.

EDWARDS, Ray L., 84, of Granite City died at 1:17 p.m. Saturday, April 2, 1994, at Colonades Nursing Home, Granite City. Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Kenneth Brand. Graveside services were held Tuesday at St. Francis Cemetery, Jerseyville, by the Rev. Gary Hanover. Memorials to the donor's choice.

FORDYCE, Lucille M. (Molitor), 67, of Granite City, formerly

of St. Louis, died at 8:15 p.m. Sunday, April 3, 1994, at Litchfield Care Center, Madison. Burial was at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday (Thursday) by the Rev. Elwyn Wilkinson. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County Memorial to American Legion Foundation.

GREEN, Clifford B., 90, of Madison, formerly of New Albany, Miss., a member of the Electrical Workers union, died at 10:45 p.m. Friday, April 1, 1994, at Abbey Nursing Home, Springfield, Ill. Graveside services were held Tuesday at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, Madison.

HANCOCK, Lora Ethel (McRobert), 84, of Granite City, died at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 31, 1994, at Colonial Care Center, Granite City. Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Vernon Brown. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

HILES, Joseph J., 68, of Ferguson, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:35 p.m. Friday, April 1, 1994, at Bethesda Hospital, St. Louis. Local services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Jerry Keenan. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to the donor's choice.

JACKSON, Antwon Jermaine, eight years old, of Madison died Tuesday, April 5, 1994, at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, St. Louis, after a long illness. Services were held Wednesday at Southern Baptist Church, Venice, by the Rev. Edward O. Williamson. Burial was at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt. Arrangements were by Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, East St. Louis.

JOYCE, Litten Edward, 73, of Dover, Tenn., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, March 14, 1994, at Clarksville Memorial Hospital, Clarksville, Tenn. Services were held March 18 at Anglin Funeral Home, Dover, Tenn. Burial was at Whitford Cemetery, Dover.

WALLACE, Ryan Matthew, nine months old, of Granite City, died at 4:20 p.m. Friday, April 1, 1994, at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, St. Louis. Services were held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Don Davis. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Guns

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mental patient within the past five years.

The penalty for carrying a firearm or stun gun while masked or while in a school or public housing or within 1,000 feet of a school or public housing or within 1,000 feet of a school bus would be increased to as much as five years in prison.

The legislation also would impose a minimum 25-year sentence for felonies committed with handguns, concealable firearms, semi-automatics or machine guns.

Bargiel said he believes increased penalties available under felony charges would serve as a deterrent to people likely to carry concealed weapons.

"It will take a while for them to realize the rules have changed," Bargiel said. "But when a couple of their buddies get hard time, the rest of them will probably quit."

Another bill in the crime package would expand the scope of

statewide grand juries that can be convened by the Illinois attorney general to address crimes that cross county lines.

Under current law, statewide grand juries can only investigate drug and money-laundering offenses. The bill would add gang-related felonies and unlawful sale and possession of firearms.

Police could request wiretaps for murder, solicitation of murder, money laundering and gang-related offenses under another bill, before the full Senate. Currently, wiretaps can be used only for various drug-trafficking crimes and hostage situations.

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Silver Streak

AARP plans trip to talk to legislators

Plans to lobby in the state capital were made as American Association of Retired Persons Chapter 1349 met March 5. Vice President Margaret Kwiatkowski welcomed those attending the March dinner dance meeting and led prayer and the pledge of allegiance. Cake and coffee were served.

Jeff Fowler, organizer of a campaign for better health care, was introduced and spoke of a bus trip to Springfield April 28 to talk to legislators about health care.

The bus will leave from the Steelworkers hall at 8:30 a.m. and return at 5 p.m. Helen Bergfield reported on a Cobblestone trip Sept. 5-9. There have been 39 confirmed reservations.

A slate of officers was presented by Marge Hall, president. Those elected were Pauline Hanson, president; Margaret Kwiatkowski, first vice president; Lucille Caban, second vice president; and James Geboc, treasurer.

Board members are Mike Lombardi, Annabelle Patton, Helen Bertacchi, Helen Bergfield, Euphie Tarris, Wilma Ostresh, Helen Meyers, Mary Earls and Marge Hall.

Three new members were introduced and there were 86

members in attendance. Attendance prize winners were Anna Mercer, Adam Prusak, George Placani, Bill Wehmeyer and Helen Meyers.

Announcements were made about the Granite City Senior Social Club's afternoon of games and white elephant sale and the park district's leprechaun dance. Members enjoyed dancing to

the music of the Alley Kats.

On April 13 at 5 p.m., May dinner dance tickets will go on sale. The 1994 dues must be paid to attend and there will be a \$2 donation at the door.

Tickets are \$6. A regular meeting will begin at 6 p.m., followed by refreshments. The balance of the evening will be spent in games.

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Don Brown, president of First National Bank in Madison, presents Dorothy Shabo with a gold necklace and savings bond from her fellow employees at a reception for her retirement.

48 years later, bank employee retires

In 1946, when 17-year-old Dorothy Lowe graduated from Madison High School, she was one of several girls a teacher recommended to James Alcott, then president of the First National Bank in Madison.

After meeting with Alcott and Louis B. Reilly, executive vice president, Lowe was hired and she went to work in the bookkeeping department on June 1.

About two years later, she married Louis A. Shabo and they raised a son. But Dorothy Shabo

remained at the bank, becoming a teller, an assistant cashier and later a cashier, until her retirement last month.

Dorothy Shabo is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison. She has served many years on the Madison Library Board, where she was first appointed by former Mayor Stephen Maeras, and currently serves as the board president. She is a member of the St. Louis Polka Association.

She doesn't have big plans for retirement, but said she figures

she will stay busy.

"I have no definite plans other than relax and do whatever comes to mind," she said. "I will spend more time with my family. I plan to take a trip to Tucson, Ariz., and also plan to do volunteer work in the future."

Dorothy Shabo's father, Orville Lowe, died in 1986 and her mother, Julia Lowe, still lives in Madison. Her son, Richard Shabo, and his wife, Toni Guida Shabo, have a daughter, Erica Dawn Shabo.

Silent condition affects elderly

Americans are living longer, healthier lives. Many scientists believe that life does not have to end at 85 or 90 or even 120, said Dr. E. L. Strotheide.

Although there is no set formula for reaching advanced age, research shows that people live longer and better when there is less stress in their lives.

Many elderly unknowingly suffer from a silent condition called Spinal Nerve Stress (SNS). Spinal Nerve Stress can be caused by accidents, falls or physical and emotional traumas.

Spinal Nerve Stress can hasten old age and sickness. Many of the ailments associated with aging, such as high blood pressure, diabetes, digestive and bowel problems, tinnitus, and stiffness of the back, neck and joints are caused by this silent condition.

"Regular chiropractic care should be a part of every older person's health and wellness regime," said Strotheide. "You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old."

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The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency or "EPA") will hold a public hearing on the above matter on Tuesday, May 3, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. at the Granite City Township Building, 211 and

Duane Streets, Granite City, Illinois.

Purpose: The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency proposes to remove hazardous waste and other material from the former Jennison-Wright Corporation site which is located at 900 West 22nd Street in Granite City, Illinois, in Madison County.

The EPA is soliciting written and oral public comments on this proposed removal action. The public comment period will begin on March 30, 1994 and ends on May 18, 1994. The evaluation of various options of the different types of technologies that can be used for this removal action are contained in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/CA) for this project. This document can be reviewed at the Granite City Public Library (see address below).

Before determining which technologies will be used for the removal action, EPA will consider written and oral comments on the proposed alternatives. The preferred alternative is also outlined in the EIS/CA. The decision will include a summary of these comments along with the EPA comments.

EPA's preferred alternative includes the following removal action:

- * cleanup, removal, and transportation to an off-site metal recycling facility of two above-ground storage tanks; a buried railroad tank car, and an above-ground railroad tank car;
- * characterization and removal to an off-site incinerator of the material within the 174 drums inside the Trinitite building;
- * off-site landfilling of 15 drums of asbestos containing material contaminated with creosote;
- * removal and off-site incineration of creosote waste materials and contaminated soil in and surrounding a buried railroad tank car, above ground railroad car, and two above-ground storage tanks;
- * installation of a chain-link fence around the "Trinitite pit" and construction of a clay cover over the pit to reduce seeping of rainwater and limit direct exposure to contaminants;
- * construction of a chain-link fence around an off-site area of the northeast corner of the site that contains contaminated soil and debris.

This proposed removal action will be conducted under the new SACM (Superfund Accelerated Cleanup Model Program), which is consistent with the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). The purpose of the SACM program is to begin and speed up actions and increase the efficiency at sites which are considered candidates for the National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is the United States Environmental Protection Agency's list of the most serious, uncontrolled or abandoned, hazardous waste sites.

Crises of the EIS/CA, Community Relations Plans, and other related documents are available for review at an information repository at:

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The administrative record containing any information which the Agency bases its decisions when selecting the alternatives for the removal action is also available at the Granite City Public Library. A fact sheet detailing the removal action will be sent to residents, local officials, and other interested parties.

The public hearing will be conducted under the provision of EPA's Procedures for Informational and Quasi-Legislative Public Hearings, 40 C.F.R. Part 156. A copy of these procedural rules is available upon request from the EPA Hearing Office (see address below).

All written comments on the EIS/CA must be postmarked on or before midnight May 18, 1994 and should be mailed to:

John Williams, Hearing Officer
Division of Legal Counsel
EPA
2000 Churchill Road, P. O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62719-9276
217/782-5244

Written comments need not be notarized. Requests for specific needs, interpretations must be made to the Agency Hearing Office (see address above) by April 22, 1994.

Questions on the EIS/CA may be addressed to:

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Volunteers backing new rape agency

Several former volunteers at a rape center at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville have signed on with a group seeking state funding after the university is cut out of the state program in July.

The Victims First agency is looking to replace Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's Rape and Sexual Abuse Center, which will be limited to serving the campus community starting July 1.

Representatives of the new group met last week with staff from the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault, the funding agency that decided in February to cut off about \$125,000 in state money to SIUE after June 30.

Mary Free of Granite City, the Victims First board vice president, said at least 10 volunteers who received training to be advocates at the SIUE center have agreed to participate in the new agency.

Another five or six have expressed interest in taking training, she added. The SIUE center has been providing counseling about 400 rape and sexual abuse victims a year. About 10 percent were

from the campus community. Free worked as the advocacy and volunteer coordinator at the SIUE center from 1978 through 1985 and said she expects to be the first paid full-time staff member for Victims First.

"By June we expect to have one full-time and one part-time staff person to do advocacy," she said.

Victims First is also making contacts with police departments and hospitals and has a meeting scheduled with Madison County State's Attorney William Haine. Free said Haine's office has relied on the SIUE center to assist sexual assault victims.

The new group's first effort is a referral hotline in Free's home and volunteers are looking for a new site, she said.

"I think the community wants to keep this service in Madison County and we do, too," Free

said. She said several fund-raising events are planned and the group is seeking contributions from charter members for \$1,000 each.

Victims First volunteers hope to qualify for the coalition grant but, Free said, "We are going to operate whether we get that money or not."

Polly Poskin, executive director of the state coalition, said the group is off to a good start and she held out the possibility the new agency could get the grant that used to go to SIUE. "A decision still hasn't been made on whether they have the necessary ingredients in place yet to carry on the program," she said.

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Park district plans trip to Branson

The Granite City Park District will sponsor the first of six 1994 weekend trips on May 20, 21 and 22 to Branson, Mo.

The trip will go on sale Tuesday, April 12, at 8 a.m. at the Wilson Park office. One person can make reservations for one room. Proof of residence must be presented for each person, unless it is husband and wife. Non-residents will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified a week later if openings are available.

The cost of the trip includes four music shows, bus, motel and two dinners. For a single room, the charge is \$306, two to a room \$230 per person, three to a room \$206 per person and four to a room \$194 per person.

The group will leave the Wilson Park Ice Rink early Friday morning, May 20, have breakfast along the way and arrive in Branson by noon. Time will be spent at the Apple Tree Mall before going to the Heritage Inn, where the group will stay Friday and Saturday nights.

The Andy Williams Show will be visited at 3 p.m. Friday with dinner at the Plantation Restaurant before attending the Show Tabuchi Show. Time will be allowed before the latter show to browse at the new shops and boutiques at the theater.

On Saturday, May 21, a continental breakfast will be held at the motel before the group goes to other sights or shops in the area. Lunch will be at Shorty Shall's Restaurant near the Tony Orlando Theater, where a matinee performance will be held that day.

Dinner after the show is arranged for the Fall Creek Steak House, with the Saturday evening show being one of Branson's original country and western music shows, The Baldknobbers.

On Sunday morning, May 22, before leaving Branson, a stop will be made at the Carolina Mills Store and other shops in that area which are owned by former Granite City residents. A one-hour stop will be made at the East Pro Shop before lunch at the Picadilly Cafeteria in Springfield, Mo.

The VF Outlet Mall will be the next stop due to popular demand. If time allows, the group also will visit the St. James Winery, where the owners will greet the bus and offer samples for those interested. This stop has been part of the Park District's trips for many years.

After the busy weekend, the group will arrive back at Wilson Park between 7 and 8 p.m.

The next weekend trip planned for the summer is to Eureka Springs, Ark., and will go on sale May 10. If more information is needed, persons may call the Wilson Park office, 877-3058.

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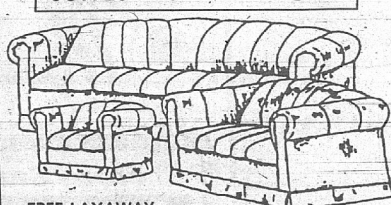
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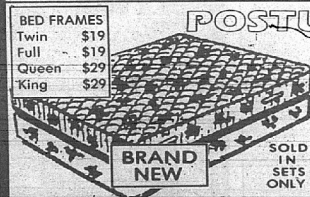
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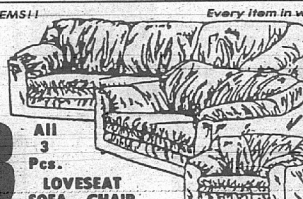
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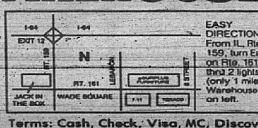
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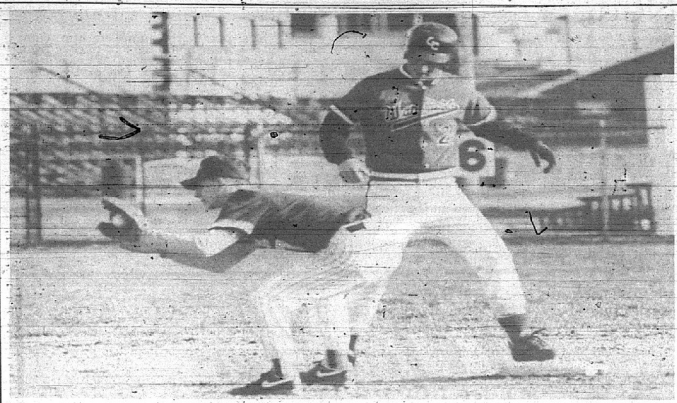
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Back safely — Granite City junior Scott Nemeth returns to the bag. The Warriors, rained out Wednesday night against CBC, are scheduled to take on Altus today at Varsity Field.

Joyner-Kersee returning to area this weekend

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

Jackie Joyner-Kersee returns home this weekend as host of the East St. Louis Relays at Jordan Stadium.

The event, which Joyner-Kersee returned for last year along with fellow Olympian Gail Devers, continues to grow into one of the most spectacular competitions anywhere.

A TWO-DAY slate of festivities begins Friday and ends Saturday with a 22-team high school relay event. The city's four junior highs and 20 elementary schools are also scheduled to participate.

McDonald's, Coca-Cola and River View Ford are co-sponsoring the event, which begins Friday when

Joyner-Kersee will present a "Winning in Life" motivational session. The session will run from 4-6 p.m. at JJK's alma mater, Lincoln High School, located at 1211 Bond Ave. The relays begin at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Nino Fennoy, Lincoln High girls track coach, said the event should be bigger and better than last year's.

"Every year we want to add to it," he said. "We want the young ladies to understand what role sports can play in their lives. And this year the lineup of people is that much deeper, so the message should be stronger."

THAT LINEUP includes Joyner Kersee's husband and coach, Bob Kersee, along with Devers and Greg Foster.

"This is something that Jackie has always wanted to do, and with the corporate sponsors we can take it to another level," said Fennoy, who has led Lincoln to 14 state titles in 16 years.

"Having Jackie here brings instant credibility. And we need the exposure in East St. Louis. That's what makes this worthwhile."

Fennoy estimated that 1,200 people attended the relays last year and 500 sat in for the motivational session.

Besides Lincoln and East St. Louis Senior, 20 other schools from Kansas City to Chicago will take part in the relays.

Teams in the field include Illinois track powers Evanston, Springfield Southeast and Chicago Morgan Park. Also taking part are Berkeley (Mo.), Cardinal Ritter, Champaign Central, Gateway (Mo.).

Jerseyville, John Burroughs, Kirkwood, Lebanon, Lindbergh, Naperville Central, Normandy, Oakville, Kansas City Rusk, Springfield Sacred Heart, Griffin, Springfield High, Sumner and Webster Groves.

"IT'S A MEET of quality, but it's also open for all to come," Fennoy said. "We don't want it to be exclusive, but we want to continue to make this a quality event."

After Joyner-Kersee's

appearance last year, Fennoy said a lot of positive feedback was evident.

"The Lincoln family responded extremely well," Fennoy said. "This is a high-quality competition and we want the young ladies to use this to go on to the next level."

Opening ceremonies are scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, and the varsity and junior high semifinals in the 100-meter hurdles and 100-meter dash are scheduled for noon.

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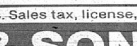
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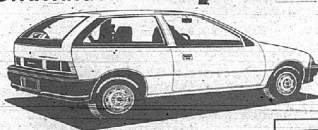
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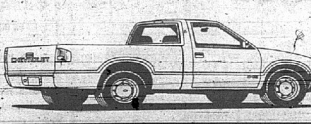
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river. McGuire's project would be the only game in town. "And think what it would mean to the kids," he said. "This will give the kids a chance to participate in athletics, and it will keep them off the street. I'm in competition, though, and I've got to offer a legitimate pastime that will attract the kids."

"My biggest competitors are the drug dealers and the gang leaders. We didn't have those things holding us back when I was growing up. They were there, but they weren't as influential as they are today. But the family unit was much stronger 30 years ago. A lot of kids today come from broken homes and they're looking for the easy way out. I'm trying to stomp that out."

Golden Gloves boxing club McGuire's goal

By Mike Kelly
Correspondent

Dan McGuire has a dream — building a Golden Gloves boxing club in southwestern Illinois.

His efforts have not been denied. In the last month, McGuire, who operates the Hard Body Gym in Pontoon Beach, has received approval from the United States Amateur Boxing Association in Colorado Springs, Colo., to get his project off the ground.

"I'll get the official papers in a few weeks," McGuire said. "But we've been accepted, that's the important thing. We're going to be the only game in town on this side of the river. This will give our kids a chance to participate in a great sport."

The Golden Gloves are nationally recognized. They just held a big tournament in St. Louis over the weekend. But a lot of people didn't hear about it on this side of the river because we didn't have many participants. That's about to change."

THE LAST KNOWN boxing club in southwestern Illinois existed some 30 years ago in St. Louis. Also, McGuire's image has been tarnished in recent years, especially on the professional level. "There aren't any role models in the sport anymore," McGuire said. "But this is amateur boxing, something completely different. Skill and quickness are the most important aspects. Knocking out your opponent isn't that important."

"My goal is just getting the kids involved. I don't care if they don't want to compete in the Golden Gloves. The important thing is getting them off the streets and creating role models at a young age."

McGuire's main goal is properly teaching the fundamentals. "I'm not just going to throw the gloves on and let the kids beat on each other," he said. "I went through that as a kid. It's not helpful, believe me. My ears were ringing after my first day in camp. That won't do anything but discourage the kids."

"WE WANT TO gradually introduce the kids to boxing. The important thing is learning the fundamentals. I just want the kids to learn their way to understand what they're doing and to enjoy the sport. We're going to take it one step at a time."

But McGuire can't do it by himself. He's looking for volunteers that will devote their time to the club on a weekly basis.

"I'm already here seven days a week," he said. "I'm sure there's people out there that want to get involved with the kids. I don't care if they aren't experts in boxing. We're all here to learn. The main thing is that the kids know someone cares."

"I'm real excited about this, and I know there's some hope and I know there's some help to draw a lot of our kids from Granite City, Madison, East St. Louis and Brooklyn for starters. The more we establish ourselves, the more kids we'll attract from the Metro East area. This is for a good cause and I want the entire area to get involved."

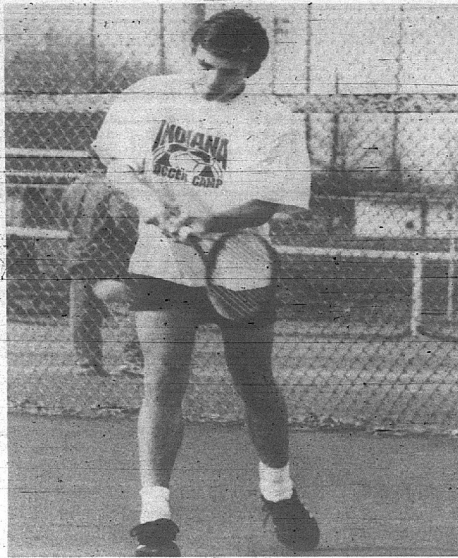
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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HUD) Jayson York defeated Cahokia's John Blissenbach in singles play Monday.

Netters

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"It doesn't bother me being the team's No. 1 player," he said. "I played No. 1 for more than half the season last year. There isn't any pressure on me at all. I just have to play my game. I want to be recognized as one of the best players in the area."

Markel, who began playing tennis when he was 5 years old, took a serious attitude toward the sport only four years ago. But in that time, he's developed into a solid player.

"I saw him play at an endorsement tournament in St. Louis last winter," Cahokia ten-

nis coach Jim McKay said. "He was the top seed in the 16-and-under division, but he won the consolation title. He really impressed me in that title match. He doesn't have any weaknesses in his game."

"It's a shame Erik had to play Markel in his first match of the season. Erik is a decent player, but Markel is a great player."

One of Markel's primary goals is defeating the top two players in the SVC — Jake Hardeman of Belleville East and Scott Gutterman of Belleville West.

"I know I can take 'Hardeman," he said. "He usually gets down on himself when things aren't going his way. My game

plan is to jump on him right away and force him to play from behind. It's tough to come back in this sport, especially when you're behind."

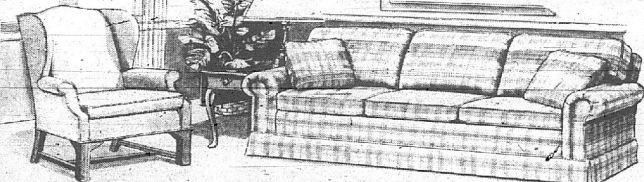
"I've got a serious attitude toward the game. There's a possible college scholarship waiting in the wings for me and I want to work very hard toward that."

"I love Joe's attitude," Lobdell said. "But talk to me after he's played Hardeman. He still needs to conquer the mental aspect of the game, but I'm pleased with him. Joe is a great player and he has the desire. I expect nothing but great things from him before his career here is through."

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and John DonjoianBrown-
Donjoian

Jennifer Brown, daughter of Mary Brown of Granite City and of the late Jerry Brown, and John P. Donjoian, son of Nazareth and Edith Donjoian of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Brown, a 1985 graduate of Granite City High School, graduated from Lutheran Medical Center School of Medicine, St. Louis. She is employed by St. Francis Medical Center, Cape Girardeau, Mo., as a registered nurse.

Donjoian, also a 1985 graduate of Granite City High School, is a graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville School of Engineering. He is employed by T.G. (USA) Corp., Perryville, Mo., as a mechanical engineer.

The couple plan a June 10, 1995, wedding at St. Gregory Armenian Church, Granite City.

Tad and
Casey RoachRoach-
Darden

Casey Marie Darden, daughter of Gerald Darden III and Linda Darden of Belleville, and Tad Alan Roach, son of Darwin and Carolyn Roach of Granite City, were married Feb. 12, 1994, at First Baptist Church of Shiloh by the Rev. Steven Kendrick Sr.

The maid of honor was Tammy Werner.

The ushers were Aaron Sneed of Granite City and Gerald Darden IV of Belleville, brother of the bride.

A reception was held at the First Baptist Church of Shiloh.

The bride is a January 1994 graduate of Belleville Township High School East.

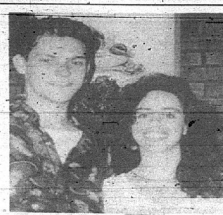
The groom is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School. He is employed by Collins and Hermann, St. Louis, as a mechanic. The couple reside in Granite City.

Cline-
Garner

Mary Melissa Cline, daughter of Sharon Burgess of Decatur, and of Bobby Cline of Bowling Green, Ky., and Jason D. Garner, son of David and Rhonda Garner of Mount Zion, formerly of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Cline attends Richland Community College and is employed by Furrow Hardware.

Garner is employed by Archer Daniels Midland Co., Decatur. The couple plan an August wedding.

Mary Cline
and Jason Garner

Holzhawer — Donaldson

Dawn Marie Holzhawer, daughter of Marvin and Janet Holzhawer of Highland, and Randall Ray Donaldson, son of Marvin and Bonnie Donaldson of Collinsville, have announced their engagement.

Holzhawer is a 1982 graduate of Triad High School. She is employed by St. Louis Ts as a customer service representative.

Donaldson, of Collinsville, is a 1978 graduate of Collinsville High School. He has been employed by Granite City Steel as an operator for 15 years.

The couple are planning a May 20, 1995, wedding.

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Junior's district meeting here

Venice-Madison Unit 307, American Legion Auxiliary Juniors met March 14 at Post 307 home with hostesses Melissa Anderson and Cathy Moreland. There were 17 members present. Chrissie Ballard, president, conducted the business meeting. It was reported that 40 Easter bunny tray favors were given to the veterans in the Alton Mental Health Center, each contained a quarter.

Department Junior Conference will be held April 30 and May 1 at the Chancellor Hotel in Champaign. Information sheets for positions there were sent for the following:

Chrissie Ballard, either chaplain or historian; Laura Martin, guest committee; and Melissa Allen, Rhonda Ballard, Megan Harper, Jenna Miller and Megan Miller, display tables. These positions will be filled by the department chairman before the

conference from the information sheets throughout the state.

The 22nd District Junior meeting was discussed. Venice-Madison Unit 307 Juniors will be hostesses at noon on Saturday, April 9. Lunch, games and contests were discussed and planned.

Following the meeting, plastic canvass cross bookmarks were made for the unit, district and other officers of the auxiliary for Easter.

The group will be hostesses from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at the Burger King Restaurant in Granite City.

Those attending were Melissa Allen, Melissa Anderson, Carrie Baker, Chrissie Ballard, Rhonda Ballard, Megan Harper, Laura Martin, Jenna Miller, Megan Miller, Cathy Moreland, Chelsey Peery and Kaleigh Peery. Seniors present were Dorothy Hinson, adviser; and Connie Ballard, Loretta Martin, Rose Mbrland and Carla Peery.

Spring garden luncheon planned

The Christian Women's Club serving Madison County will hold a "Spring Garden Party" luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at the Quality Inn-Raintree Restaurant in Collinsville.

The two-hour program will feature a presentation by Doug Weiss and Don Field from Farmer's Market. Weiss and Field will be sharing their expertise regarding spring flowers.

The cost of the luncheon is \$7, payable at the door. A free nursery for the preschoolers will be provided. Reservations for the dinner and nursery are required and should be made by noon, Friday, April 8.

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Carol Pardus
and Jeffrey Erwin

Pardus-Erwin

Carol Pardus, daughter of James B. "Jay" Pardus and Marie (Vangel) Pardus of Marion, Ill., and Jeffrey S. Erwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry L. Erwin, also of Marion, have announced their engagement.

Carol is the granddaughter of Josephine Vangel of Granite City and Steve A. Pardus of Marion, formerly of Fairview Heights. She is a 1988 graduate of Marion Senior High School and is a senior at Barnes College, St. Louis.

Erwin is a 1988 graduate of Crab Orchard High School, Marion, and is attending John A. Logan College, St. Louis. He is employed by Wal-Mart.

The couple plan a June 11 wedding.



Edward and
Lori Zabotka

Following a honeymoon at Disney World, the couple reside in Granite City.



Jill Livesay and
Duane Winkler

Livesay-Winkler

Jill Colleen Livesay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sorneske of Ashley, Ill., and of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Livesay Jr. of Granite City, and Duane Joseph Winkler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler of Ashley, have announced their engagement.

Livesay is a 1987 graduate of Waltonville High School, Waltonville, Ill., and Centralia School of Cosmetology, Centralia. She is employed at the J.C. Penney Styling Salon, Centralia.

Winkler is a 1987 graduate of Nashville High School, Nashville, Ill., and a 1989 graduate of Kaskaskia College. He is employed at Henry, Meisenheimer and Glendon Consulting Engineers in Carlyle, Ill., as a draftsman.

The couple plan a May wedding.

Zabotka-Seemiller

Lori L. Seemiller, daughter of Andrew and Peggy Martin of Granite City, and Edward V. Zabotka, son of Edward and Bernadette Zabotka of Madison, were married Oct. 2, 1993, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Madison.

The maid of honor was Connie Crook of Granite City. Bridesmaids were Kathy Zabotka, Karen Copeland, Julie Hellrich, Tracy Foley and Lindsey Crook. The best man was Mark Succarotte of Madison. The groomsmen were David Brown, Larry Haddix, Mike Washenko, Jeff Thornton and Adam Vrabec. The flower girl was Stacy Shonkewiler, and Jacob Kuhline was the ringbearer.

The ushers were Chris Hartman and Shane Moyer.

A reception was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Granite City High school. She is employed by Central Bank.

The groom, a 1985 graduate of Madison High School, is currently attending Fontbonne College, St. Louis, majoring in business administration. He is employed by the Bank of Alton.

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Scott Yokley

Councilor elected

Scott A. Yokley was elected master councilor of James Stuart Chapter Order of DeMolay at the chapter's regular meeting.

Scott, son of Roger and Debbie Yokley, is a sophomore at Granite City High School.

Also elected were Jason Blanton, senior councilor; Matthew R.P. Gilley, junior councilor; and Chad L. Browning, chaplain. The elected officers and other appointed officers will be installed in a public ceremony at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at the Granite City Masonic Temple.

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Indian dancing at Cahokia Mounds

A public lecture, a new exhibit and Indian dancing are featured during April at Cahokia Mounds. The Kaskaskia Dancers of Collinsville will present Indian dance performances at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 10, and Sunday, April 24. The performances are free and open to the public, and will be held in the Interpretive Center auditorium.

A new exhibit on the Pre-Columbian site of El Cano, Panama, will open Saturday, April 16, at the Interpretive Center. This photographic display is part of an exhibit

exchange program between Cahokia Mounds and Middle American sites. "Warfare in the Southeast in Pre-Contact Times" is the topic of a free public lecture to be presented by Dr. David Dye on Sunday, April 17, at 1:30 p.m. Dye, associate professor of anthropology at Memphis State University, will focus on the nature of Mississippian warfare prior to and during contact with the expedition of Hernando de Soto in the Southeast.

He will also discuss the exchange of prestige goods and the relationship of those goods to

warfare rituals. Dye received his Ph.D. from Washington University, St. Louis, and has conducted extensive research in southeastern archaeology. For more information on these or other events, call 346-2161. Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, administered by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, is just eight miles from downtown St. Louis near Collinsville, off Interstate 55/70 and 255, and Illinois 111, on Collinsville Road. It is open daily free of charge to the public, although a donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children is suggested.

Scott Base air show canceled this year

By Kevin Glenn
Staff writer

The Scott Air Force Base open house and air show, a traditionally popular springtime attraction, won't get off the ground this year.

Because of planned construction, which will keep runways closed, and the unavailability of a major aerial demonstration team, base officials canceled the event.

LT Linda Pepin, base spokeswoman, said Scott's usual request to the U.S. Defense Department for the Air Force Thunderbirds or the Navy Blue

Angels stunt teams fell through. "They get more requests than they can accommodate," Pepin explained.

Base officials are instituting clamoring for hot-shot pilot squads this year, Scott was one of those left off the performance schedule.

Without the air show, base officials decided not to pursue other attractions, she said. Although they aren't the single focus of the open house, Pepin said, the roaring military jets usually pack in the visitors.

"Those are always a big draw," she said.

Other attractions usually

include several displays of other military aircraft, ranging from fighter planes to huge cargo lifters, parked along the runway for visitors to inspect.

In the past, jets such as the stealth fighter and F-14 Tomcat performed solo maneuvers for the crowds, and paratroopers and other specialty teams displayed their skills.

"The whole purpose of the air show and open house is to show people what we do day to day — to show taxpayers what they're getting for their money," Pepin said. "We're proud of what we do."

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As Pisces moves in step with Uranus in Capricorn, truly ambitious people get their way. Send memos and letters, make long-distance calls, and get out into the social swing. Companies buy your abstract ideas. Old tasks take on a new slant. Money that is owed to you from an ex is finally paid. Enjoy your luck in friendship and new love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Symptoms of jealousy that are displayed by a friend are expertly handled by diplomatic you. A distant love feels omnipresent. This love will withstand the test of time. A promise will be fulfilled later than expected.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Your hard work gains you dedicated support the afternoon. Your mood is improved with a brief but memorable jaunt outdoors. Career tips from an elder pay off. Expand your current activity base with your honey.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Expect the unexpected in love. There is nothing to lose by looking at every possibility and of a family debate — and you have the respect of a parent to gain. Private goal setting is important to your success.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Your friends find romance. A stalled deal moves forward when a key player is introduced. Free the lines of communication between family members. Your vigorous health regimen is now a habit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23)
Your brilliant work is showcased. You seek out the source of tension between you and a pal, a compromise is made easily. A love relationship completes a turnaround by noon, and the situation is more livable.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 7)
You're impressed employee. Parents and friends with your dedication to success. May bring a financial reward. Consider several job options in the next eight months. June's presentation wins you prominence at work. An emotionally wealthy Leo is generous. A Cancer wants to marry you in July. August brings refreshment, retreat and wild offers. Enter contests in October. Your lucky numbers are 5 and 29.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)
The intensity of a new love makes it difficult to concentrate on work. Money issues are solved with help from your family. Present ideas to future partners after 3 p.m. Spend time caring for animals.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
If you spend twice as much time preparing an address, you will get twice your desired result. Make special time for loved ones, who will inspire your creativity. A wealthy romantic is enticing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Flexibility is the key at home. Repairs made now at work save you from a future embarrassment. Soothe a friend's ego with a pep talk, his or her success will help you in the future. Water sports are lucky.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Your social schedule shines. Rest and relaxation are available — take advantage of this before the hustle of afternoon appointments. Job searches bring you luck. Ask for help organizing a cabinet or closet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Love changes your political views. Great demands on your time are worth the cost. Pragmatism works with a tight budget. Feast your eyes on art — a great selection is made in a cultural setting.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Out of respect, a co-worker saves you from work you hate. Arrange a strictly social lunch. You have a competitive edge now — dance or participate in contact sports. Consider giving time or money to a cause.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Your financial strides are helped along by a family member. Mixed signals are being sent to a romantic prospect. Get clear in your own head what you want first. An Aries reschedules his or her appointment with you.

News in review

"News in review" provides a summary of top stories from the area. The column is designed to assist out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday newspapers.

Police boost 'stopping power'

When the need for deadly force arises, Madison police officers plan to get more "stopping power" out of their new 40-caliber Glock handguns.

"While there is no doubt criminals are better armed today, I would hate to attribute our change to that," said Police Chief Paul Bargiel. "But we made an evaluation of the weapons we carried (9mm handguns) and of their performance and decided to make a change."

Whether it's called stopping power, knock-down power or energy, Bargiel said a weapon's force is all-important to a police officer. "I think that any time a weapon comes into play, it is to stop a life-threatening situation," Bargiel said. "The idea of shooting someone is to stop them and to stop them immediately. The 9mm just does not do that."

Cleanup may begin at plant site

A cleanup of contaminated materials at the former Jenson-Wright wood treatment plant near 32nd Street in West Granite may begin this summer, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has announced.

A public comment period on the 26-acre site — contaminated with dioxin, PCBs and other cancer-causing chemicals — formerly used in the creosote treatment of lumber — opened last week and will run through May 18.

The cleanup is expected to begin shortly after the comment period ends.

"The proposed cleanup is not going as far as I'd like, but it's a beginning," said 4th Ward Alderman Dan Partney, who has been pushing for a cleanup of the site for about five years. A public hearing on the cleanup is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at the Granite City Township Hall, 2060 Delmar Ave. Partney said the "big thing" he sees missing from the EPA plan is removal or sealing over of a big waste pile just north of 32nd street. "When the wind blows, that stuff goes all over Granite City," he said.

Madison to speed race track tax

There will be no lines of traffic at the Gateway International Raceway on Highway 203 this weekend — a fact that makes Madison Aldermen Eleanor Armour and Ron Grzywacz shudder and cringe.

They figure the cash-starved city will "lose" \$5,000 during the weekend because a proposed entertainment tax has not yet been approved.

Planned is a flat fee of \$1 a person on all for-profit entertainment events like auto races or live music shows at the city's entertainment district, which includes the race track and the Stages nightclub. The tax, proposed by Armour and agreed upon by the aldermen in January, is expected to come up for approval at the April 12 City Council meeting.

Minors may face license suspension

Minors in Granite City and throughout Illinois who are caught driving with even a trace of alcohol in their blood may face license suspension under a bill pending before the Illinois Senate.

Trash barrels provided by church

Brightly-painted trash barrels have appeared on many Venice street corners, thanks to the Men's Brotherhood of the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church.

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The identity of the featured performer is found within the answers in the puzzle. To take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

- ACROSS**
- Co-worker of Murray, Ted and Mr. Grant
 - Continent where M.A.S.H. was set
 - Star of *That Girl*
 - Chy used to have his babe
 - Gold or silver
 - The World According To 1982 movie
 - Actress Marie of Nurses
 - # of siblings for John Boy Walton
 - Elizabeth's portrayal on *Major Dad*
 - Initials for Minnieux
 - Fitzgerald
 - Clothing
 - Egypt, once: abbr.
 - Go astray
 - Word with wash or wild
 - Start of a vowel list
 - Hicky Ricardo's portrayal
 - Mattress buyer's choice
 - Suffix for fish or beat
 - Role on *Seinfeld*
 - Long, long way to run
 - Spanish year
 - Meara or Bancroft
 - Polite person's word
 - Juliard
 - Bryant or Loos
- DOWN**
- Ava of *Evening Shade*
 - Common verb
 - Monogram for Loggia
 - Hindu exercise
 - Reptiles
 - Fine; '81 O'Neal film
 - Lonely Place
 - 1950 Bogart movie
 - Lawyer's portrayal (2)
 - Relocate
 - Hair accompaniments
 - Evening Shade loc
 - Van Johnson's state of birth: abbr.
 - Gale Storm role
 - 1993 Jimmie Walker sitcom (2)
 - Thailand's neighbor
 - Cockle
 - Like Tess on *Reasonable Doubts*
 - Scarlett's estate
 - Isis and Clark
 - Article
 - Heat of the Night
 - Close to
 - Grand Opry
 - Lisa Simpson, to Bart
 - time; prompt

PREVIOUS WEEK'S ANSWER

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Solution: Meg Ryan

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